

# GERMAN PLANNING TO CARRY ON BUSINESS WITH RUSSIA

Commercial Interests in Germany Are to Consider the Moscow Regime as a Government in Fact—A German-Russian Transport Company is Being Formed, in Which the Soviet Government Officially Holds a One-Half Interest—Feeling of Optimism Prevails For An Active Resumption of Trading Between Germany and Russia.

Hamburg, June 26.—(By The A. P.) It is the purpose of the German shipping, industrial and banking interests here to take the initiative in carrying on business with Russia. An important step in this direction already has been taken by the organization of the German-Russian Transport Company, in which the Soviet government officially holds a one-half interest, and which will exercise general supervision of rail and water traffic between German ports and Russian destinations.

A leading member of the Warburg bank house told the Associated Press today that German commercial interests here were taking the initiative in carrying on business with Russia. He said he did not look for the early downfall of Nikolai Lenin and Leon Trotsky, and that he believed their forced disappearance from the government would result in unworkable chaos.

The banker said he could not understand why the United States ignored the present Soviet administration in Russia. "We believe Russia is becoming more liberal, and are not inclined to share the opinion prevailing in many quarters that the country is being run by radicals," he continued. "The Russian problem is so intricate that a solution of it is impossible of achievement by any one power, or by private groups. It calls for co-operation and international collaboration."

At the office of the Hamburg-American line, which controls the other half interest in the new German-Russian Transport company, the correspondent found a feeling of optimism with respect to early prospects for an active resumption of trading between Germany and Russia.

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## Quebec Firemen and Policemen on Strike

Strikers Demand an Increase of \$1.50 a Week—200 False Alarms of Fire Rung In.

Quebec, June 26.—Since midnight Saturday this city has been left without police or fire protection by a joint strike of the police and fire departments.

A militia battalion is being held in readiness and thirty-eight new policemen have been sworn in.

Street lamps were smashed during the riotous night. Today boys entered several police stations and broke the windows and did other damage. Two hundred false alarms of fire have been rung in.

An increase of \$1.50 a week is demanded by the strikers.

The city employs 140 policemen and 190 firemen.

An arbitration board recently awarded the police an increase of \$1 a week, but no increase was granted the firemen.

## AIRPLANES ARE TO ATTACK BATTLESHIP IOWA TUESDAY

Washington, June 26.—The old battleship Iowa, operated and maneuvered by radio impulses, will be the target of navy and army airmen off the Atlantic coast Tuesday in an effort to demonstrate that aviation has not yet reached the point where it is the defense of the coast may be left entirely in the hands of the new branch of the national defense system.

The flyers will try to locate the Iowa while the vessel is being off the coast and, having found her, to rain a shower of dummy bombs on her decks.

The Iowa experiment will be the second of a series of tests conducted jointly by the navy and army airmen to test the usefulness of aviation against naval vessels under various conditions and to provide both airmen and naval constructors with data otherwise unobtainable.

In the first of the tests, conducted last week, one former German submarine was towed to the bottom by aerial bombs in 15 minutes and two others were sunk by dummy bombs.

The Iowa and the battleship Ohio, control ship, will station more than one hundred miles off the coast between Hampton Roads and Cape Henlopen, Del.

At dawn Tuesday Capt. F. L. Chadwick of the Ohio will break the seal of an envelope containing secret instructions from the navy department, and at "zero hour" the Iowa will be ordered to attack the Ohio in the general direction of the mainland.

For the purpose of the experiment the Iowa will represent an enemy fleet. The Ohio, exercising complete control over the Iowa by radio, will be able to move at will.

Fast scouting airplanes, manned by navy and army personnel, will form long lines parallel to the coast, sweeping for miles out to sea. The "enemy fleet" back at Hampton Roads, and at the naval air base at Pensacola, Fla., equipped with light and heavy bombers, will be ordered to fly up ready to hop off the instant contact with the enemy is reported by the scouting forces.

No restrictions will be placed on Capt. Chadwick as to the manner in which he may maneuver the Iowa, except that he must keep the ship within one hundred miles off shore between Hatteras and Cape Henlopen, Del.

He will be allowed to stop, back and zigzag the vessel as he pleases, with the idea of simulating the movements of an enemy fleet in the face of an aerial attack.

As soon as the air forces have sighted the Iowa, radio signals will be sent to the bombers to attack the Iowa, giving the location of the "enemy fleet" simultaneously the scouting forces will dash to attack the Iowa and drop small bombs on her with the object of clearing away all personnel aboard the protected deck.

When the bombing squadrons arrive they will hurl dummy bombs, filled with concrete instead of powder, weighing up to half a ton, at the Iowa. As each division of planes exhausts its bombs it will return to its base. More than fifty aircraft of various types will be used in the problem. The Iowa will be ordered to maintain maximum speed and remain at an altitude of at least four thousand feet. This altitude was decided upon as the safety one for planes operating against a battleship at sea.

Today's experiment embodies two distinct and important problems. The first is the ability of the airmen to find an enemy approaching the coast, and the other is the test of the ability of the fleet to hit a moving battleship from a safe altitude with bombs of sufficient size to seriously damage a modern major vessel.

Dummy bombs are being used in the test because the navy department wishes to preserve the Iowa, the only radio-controlled battleship in the world, for Atlantic fleet target practice late in the summer or early in the fall. Determination of the damage done by large aerial bombs against a battleship will be obtained in a later attack on the former German battleship Ostfriesland, which will be anchored.

## BRITISH TELEGRAMS

Kansas crop this year is estimated at 11,000,000 bushels.

Financier has resulting from Pueblo flood is estimated to be \$15,748,853.

Att. General McCran, of New Jersey, declared bonus law of the state unconstitutional.

John B. Stanchfield, New York lawyer who appeared in many important cases, died at Islip, L. I.

President Harding was presented with a cowboy hat with a silver band by the city of Cheyenne, Wyoming.

The steamer Cordic took aboard mails and passengers at Queenstown yesterday and sailed for New York.

A sturgeon weighing 230 pounds and measuring eight feet in length, was caught in a net just below the falls of the Merrimack river at Lawrence, Mass.

Reparations commission is considering temporary suspension of instructions given to Germany to make part of her indemnity payment in dollars.

Senate investigation of the disturbance in the Mingo County, W. Va., coal fields was ordered. The committee on labor is expected to begin inquiry next month.

Hebb Motor Works of Havelock, Neb., was sold at auction to W. H. Ferguson, of Lincoln, for \$11,000, subject to approval of the court.

American battleships Kansas, Michigan, Connecticut, South Carolina and Minnesota arrived at Christiania on a visit of two weeks.

A loss of twenty thousand dollars was caused by fire in the plant of the Berman Manufacturing company at Lawrence, Mass.

The French embassy denies recently published reports that a gambling house is being established near the battlefield of Chateau Thierry.

An inventory of the estate of the late Edmund C. Converse, bankers, filed in probate court in Greenwich gives a total of \$10,769,857.51.

Two men were arrested in San Francisco, charged with conspiracy to blow up the new federal reserve bank building under construction here.

The body of Mrs. Ellen Knapp, said to be the wife of William Knapp, a lumber dealer at North Adams, was found in Muddy river in the Fenway, Boston.

Thefts of watches and jewelry valued at about \$4,000 from the safes of two of the local banks in Washington street, Boston were reported.

An encounter between Italian and Polish troops south of Kozi, Upper Silesia, resulted in a despatch from the semi-official Wolf bureau of Berlin.

Senate leaders decided to await action on the house bill amending the Volstead law so as to prohibit prescribing of beer by physicians.

Armed men on Saturday burned a number of houses in the industrial district of Cork, among them the homes of Brigadier General Canfield, Colonel Godfrey and Michael Dennehy.

Governor Cox of Massachusetts has invited the governors of the other New England states to review with him from the state house on July 4 a parade of veterans of the Mexican campaign.

Meyer Sanders wife, two daughters and a grandchild, died their lives when they were in a car accident on a road near Fairmount, Pa. A son and two grandchildren were injured.

Wearing of civilian clothes by army officers and enlisted men, except when on duty at a military post, is prohibited under an order issued by Secretary Weeks.

The New York Produce Exchange will close Saturday, July 2, giving the members a triple holiday. The Chicago Board of Trade has taken no action on the holiday.

W. S. Scott, president of the Illinois Retail Merchants Association, says that the retail trade will have to cope in the next few years.

A resolution was introduced in the house of the treasury for a list of individuals, firms and corporations who made net profits exceeding 25 per cent of their outstanding capital in 1918.

The Hathaway Manufacturing Company of New Bedford filed suit with the federal court seeking \$40,000 from James F. White & Co. of New York on an action of contract.

Woodrow Wilson appeared in person in the chambers of Chief Justice Mc Coy of the District of Columbia Supreme Court for that court's decision on a law before that court.

Edward D. Rice, a member of the chemical and dyestuffs firm E. Rice & Co., was found guilty of obtaining loans in a later attack on the former German battleship Ostfriesland, which will be anchored.

Senate and house committees ordered a favorable report on the McNary bill to provide \$250,000 for irrigation purposes, the money to be returned from the sale of bonds secured by the improved property.

Bandits disguised as gendarmes tried to assassinate General Gouraud, commander-in-chief of French troops in the east, as he was traveling in an automobile from Damascus to the Sea of Galilee.

Seven men and four women were convicted by a federal jury of complicity in the robbery of the Toledo central post office on Feb. 17 last when more than a million dollars in money and securities was stolen.

A telegram requesting an investigation of federal census figures showing the Japanese population of California to be 1,142 was forwarded to Senator Hiram Johnson by State Controller John S. Chambers.

A suit to test provisions of the eighteenth amendment and Volstead law was filed in United States district court at Chicago by former senator J. Hamilton Lewis in an attempt to recover whiskey, valued at \$500,000, stored in Chicago warehouses.

Plymouth Rock was put together again Saturday. The boulder took on something of its original aspect when the three pieces into which it had split since the forefathers landed on it were taken out of a nearby building, joined on the former site and prepared to withstand the elements again.

## Six Hotels Burned at Hampton Beach, N. H.

From 35 to 40 Cottages, a Theatre, Several Stores and a Garage Also Were Destroyed.

Hampton Beach, N. H., June 26.—The business and residential section of Hampton Beach, N. H., was virtually destroyed by fire early today, causing damage variously estimated at from three hundred thousand to five hundred thousand dollars. None was injured. Defective wiring is believed to have been the cause. The fire burned six hotels, from 35 to 40 cottages, a theatre, several stores and the post office. Help was summoned from five nearby towns.

Starting in the Strand hotel, the flames spread rapidly through the main section of the resort. Most of the hotel guests saved their personal belongings.

## DICTATORSHIP DISCUSSED AT SOCIALIST CONVENTION

Detroit, June 26.—Seized with what Morris Hillquit described as a "homicidal mania," the socialist national convention today killed three resolutions which sought in varying terms to define "dictatorship by the proletariat" as a part of socialist policy and then overhauled two others which asserted the dictatorship is not at this time an issue. A session which lasted for three and a half hours in a session hall, and with all reference to working class dictatorship barred from the party policy.

The fight against inclusion of the dictatorship was waged by Morris Hillquit, Victor Berger, of New York, and Cameron King, of California. They branded it as inseparably linked in American minds with the red terror in Russia, and declared it was useless to discuss it in a socialist revolution and the duty of the party was to work for the dictatorship in some distant future, a socialist revolution takes place.

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# LLOYD GEORGE'S LETTER IS REGETTING CONSIDERATION

Ulster Cabinet is to Meet Tuesday to Discuss British Premier's Invitation to a Conference to Endeavor to Bring About a Reconciliation Between the Factions in Ireland—Eamon De Valera Has Consulted With His Colleagues With Regard to the Letter.

Belfast, Ireland, June 26 (By The A. P.)—A meeting of the Ulster cabinet has been called for Tuesday by Sir James Craig, the premier, to consider the letter of Prime Minister Lloyd George inviting the leaders of North and South Ireland to a conference for the purpose of trying to bring about a reconciliation between the factions in Ireland.

The letter of Mr. Lloyd George reached Sir James Craig by special courier this morning simultaneously with the Sunday newspapers commenting on the letter. Sir James replied immediately, informing Mr. Lloyd George that he was summoning a meeting of the Ulster cabinet on Tuesday, and that he hoped to secure the attendance of all the members.

"You may rest assured no time will be lost in conveying the result of our deliberations to the premier," the message of Sir James concluded.

Today Sir James was in conference with his chief supporters. The general feeling in Belfast is that the letter must demand that the terms to be discussed at the proposed conference shall be strictly limited, especially excluding the subject of a republic.

## DE VALERA IN CONSULTATION ON LLOYD GEORGE'S LETTER

Dublin, June 26 (By The A. P.)—Eamon De Valera today was in consultation with his colleagues with regard to Premier Lloyd George's letter.

The letter was variously discussed here today. One high Sinn Fein leader said he thought it an insult and as implying acceptance of partition. Other political leaders saw in the letter an abandonment by the premier of his reported harsh attitude against the Sinn Fein, as De Valera, they said, would be free to

## FIFTH POLITICAL FEUD VICTIM IN CHICAGO

Chicago, June 26.—The nineteenth West political feud claimed its fifth victim today when Joseph Laspina, wealthy contractor and lieutenant of Anthony D'Andrea, slain political leader, was shot and killed while at the wheel of his automobile.

The victim was driving through the downtown district when two men riding in the rear of a machine stood up with drawn pistols and fired several shots into Laspina's head. They then leaped from the machine and fled.

With the dead man's fingers still gripping the wheel, the car rolled on and on for fifty feet before it came to a stop, and then rolled suddenly against the curb and a telephone pole. A Catholic priest, known as the Rev. J. J. Laspina, was one of the first persons to reach the machine. After making sure that the man huddled over the steering wheel was dead, he leaped from the car and called to the police.

Police, besides being an aide of D'Andrea, was the president of the Società Ventemiglia, a Sicilian organization. The feud was the outgrowth of the last year's election in the nineteenth ward in which "Johnny" Powers defeated D'Andrea.

Although many arrests were made after each of the previous feuds, the feud has been listed as an unsolved mystery by the police.

## ANTI-BEER BILL CERTAIN OF PASSAGE IN HOUSE TODAY

Washington, June 26.—Somewhere on the front page of nearly every newspaper in the country Tuesday morning the news likely will read that hell got no rest.

"There isn't any doubt as to what the house will do with the Willis-Campbell anti-beer bill tomorrow," said after check an today prohibition leaders declared they could only find twenty-eight members ready to "step backward on prohibition." The bill will be called up for consideration of the house, a procedure which requires a two-thirds vote for its passage. The vote will be delayed until late in the day, as there will be four hours of debate, and probably an effort to send the bill back to a committee in the hope of removing its teeth.

The senate must act on the bill, but indications are that it will be put through there in quick time in an effort to check any delay in the anti-beer law. The bill was signed by President Harding before he leaves town for the holiday over the Fourth. Prohibition leaders are determined to speed up the anti-beer law to head off any hope for the stock market, that might be issued by the bureau of internal revenue.

## SUNDAY BLUE LAWS WERE ENFORCED AT SACO, ME.

Saco, Maine, June 26.—This was a "Blue Sunday" in Saco. Deputy sheriffs and assistant deputy sheriffs, armed with the authority given them by the Maine Sabbath laws enacted nearly seventy-five years ago, policed the city to see that no commerce was carried on.

The street cars ran, but one conductor on the Portland-Saco line was ordered to appear in court tomorrow to explain why the cars were running in defiance of the law. Druggists did not allow their shelves to be piled high with Sunday papers, which were largely closed. News dealers, who had a large stock of Sunday papers on hand, disposed of them before they went home.

A mass meeting was held called for Tuesday night at which the advisability of continuing the "blue law" code will be considered.

## TROTSKY SEES BRITAIN-U. S. NAVAL BATTLE IN 1924

London, June 27.—A naval war between the United States and Great Britain as a result of maritime rivalry will occur in 1924, according to a prediction made by Leon Trotsky, the Bolshevik minister of war, in address at the third international at Moscow, Friday, says a dispatch to the Daily Herald, the labor organ, from Moscow.

"A swollen guardroom" was Trotsky's description of the United States, while he declared that Great Britain was the nation of world civilization, the pound sterling having been vanquished by the almighty dollar.

## CONVENTION OF DISABLED VETERANS OF WORLD WAR

Detroit, Mich., June 26.—With a tribute to wounded soldiers from President Harding in their possession, national officers of the Disabled American Veterans of the World War met tonight for the first annual convention of the organization which opens here tomorrow.

The message from President Harding was read by Judge Robert S. Marx, national president of the Veterans' organization, expressed regret that he could not attend the convention and continues:

"I will be glad if you will convey to the gathering the assurance of my deepest interest in their work in behalf of the disabled veterans, to whom the nation owes a debt that it will never be able to pay in full. They are the ones who have made the greatest sacrifices in behalf of our national liberty and our national freedom. At least, they can be assured that the gratitude of their countrymen will always go out to them and that it will be the determined purpose of the government to fulfill the measure of justice and of humane consideration for them. I hope your convention may be as successful in the accomplishment of results as its purpose is inspiring to every patriotic sentiment."

## GOMPER'S WAS RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT OF A. F. OF L.

Denver, June 26.—President Samuel Gompers and his entire administration was returned to office for another year by the annual convention of the American Federation of Labor, after overwhelmingly defeating opposition for the presidency and one of the vice presidencies.

The labor chief's forces made a clean sweep from the beginning, when President Gompers was returned to the presidency for the 46th time by overwhelming John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers by a vote of 15,022 to 13,232.

The vote was taken amid scenes of wild enthusiasm, rivaling those of national elections. The galleries were packed with spectators. The convention floor was overflowing with delegates and their friends. Cheers and applause swept the auditorium at every vote.

## FIRE DESTROYS ORPHEUM THEATRE AT SAVIN ROCK

New Haven, June 26.—Fire today destroyed the Orpheum theatre at Savin Rock, an amusement resort, and threatened the entire park, with its numerous restaurants, roller coasters and merry-go-rounds.

The fire broke out at 10:30 P. M. Firemen from West Haven, Allingtown and Prospect Beach fought the flames and confined them to the theatre and three adjoining stands. "The Racer" was slightly damaged.

The fire broke out during a heavy thunder storm and it was believed that lightning struck the theatre. The theatre and adjoining buildings were owned by Samuel A. DeWolff of this city, and the DeWolff Engineering and Construction company.

## SHOT DEAD WHILE DINING WITH HIS WIFE IN DUBLIN

Dublin, June 26.—Auxiliary Inspector Good, stationed at Northwall, was shot dead and Section Leader White of the auxiliaries, quartered at Northwall, was seriously wounded tonight. The shooting occurred while the men were dining with their wives in a hotel. The gallies were packed with spectators. The convention floor was overflowing with delegates and their friends. Cheers and applause swept the auditorium at every vote.

Saturday night a number of men called at the home of Charles Trainor, outside the town of Monaghan, and informed his wife that he had been fined by a republican court. She paid the fine. The men returned two hours later, took Trainor out and shot him dead. They attached the label of "Spy" to the body.

## PLAYED HIS OWN MUSIC WHILE UNDER OPERATION

Boston, June 26.—His own music soothed Oscar J. Kelley of South Boston as he lay in a hospital bed today while surgeons were probing for a bullet in his thigh. When the doctors started to put Kelley under the influence of the anesthetic he objected strenuously, upon an operating table and played gaily while the bullet was removed.

The shot was fired after a quarrel between Kelley and his stepson, Frank T. Kelley. The shooting was held on a charge of assault with intent to kill.

## WORKERS IN COAL INDUSTRY

Washington, June 26.—A warning that a "tragedy in the nature of a coal famine" is impending over the United States, and an assertion that all national organizations in the coal industry would unite into "one big union" to continue their struggle both on the rocks and purses of coal buyers by defeating federal legislation intended to cope with the problem were issued today by Senator Fredric Bruyn, republican, New Jersey.

The statement referred to the controversy over the Frelinghuysen bill, now on the senate calendar. The bill would unite all the coal producers of the country into "one big union" to continue their struggle both on the rocks and purses of coal buyers by defeating federal legislation intended to cope with the problem.

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## NEW HAVEN TO HAVE BIG K. OF C. CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL

Chicago, June 26.—Plans for the institution of the largest correspondence school in the United States were laid before the supreme board of the Knights of Columbus today by a committee that formulated the plans after a three months survey of correspondence systems throughout the country.

The plans call for the formation of a course to accommodate at the outset one hundred thousand former service men in three typical courses: a one million dollar course. It was proposed that the present Knights of Columbus school organization which graduated one hundred fifty thousand former service men in three typical courses be made the basis of the new system.

William J. McGinley, supreme secretary of the Knights, said that final decision on the proposed plan would be made at the annual international convention at San Francisco August 2 to 4.

Headquarters of the proposed school would be located at New Haven, Conn. It was said by the committee.

John H. Reddy, supreme master of the fourth degree of the Knights, reported to the board that more than one hundred college professors throughout the country had volunteered to aid the Knights in their new movement to free the United States from the influence of propaganda. The professor pressed the opinion, Mr. Reddy said, that the work was one that is essential at this time.

## TWO MEN HELD UP IN THE CENTER OF HARTFORD

Hartford, Conn., June 26.—Mark Cody and Victor St. Lawrence of this city were held up and robbed by a masked man early today near the Boardman hotel, in the center of the city. Pointing a revolver at the two men, the robber backed them into an alleyway and took their money. About an hour later the police arrested Edward J. Canavan, who said he came from Canada. He was locked up on a charge of highway robbery. He denied having any knowledge of a hold-up.

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